Minutes of October 17, 2011

The Meeting was opened at 6:30 PM; all members were present.

The Board announced that the bond for the school will not be considered by the district selectmen until the School Committee presents a long range capital plan. It was also noted that the five towns boards have met and will meet again to review and discuss the school operating budget.

It was announced that the new windows were installed in the lower level of Town Hall and that the New Entryway was out to bid with an opening of bids on October 26. The Board will meet on October 26th to review and award the bid.

The Board inquired as to the status of the Sheldon request to replace drainage culverts across his property. The Highway Superintendent advised that it will cost approximately \$7,000.00 including labor. Mr. Marks suggests doing this project in the spring. The Board would like a letter sent to Mr. Sheldon notifying him of the status of the repair.

The Hatchery Road project will be completed this week except for the paving and guardrails.

The Board reviewed and discussed road projects with the Highway Superintendent. The Superintendent advised the Board that the Clayton Mill River Road Project is done and work will start next on the Canaan Southfield Road. It was noted that paving should begin next week for Canaan Southfield by the section near the Boyer/Vaczy Bridge.

The Board mentioned that they received a letter from the Sandisfield Board of Selectmen inviting this board to a meeting them and other town selectmen from Otis, Tolland, Monterey and Tyringham to discuss town issues on November 8th. The Board will notify Sandisfield that members of the Board will attend.

The Board announced that Scott Farrell, Police Chief, will attend their next meeting to further discuss the Police Detail Policy and review repair estimates to the Police Cruiser.

Robert Bradley inquired about why does the Town pay flaggers from outside the Town when we have detail flaggers here in Town? The Board advised that they do use flaggers from New Marlborough when they can and that this matter will be discussed further next week with the Police Chief.

The Board reviewed and discussed the highway material bids and decided to hold them until next week so they can review them in more detail.

The Board states that they have received nine letters of interest for the setting up a committee to review for a Town Administrator. The Board will work on creating a task for the committee and decide on a number of members needed for the committee. It was noted that the Board would be requesting that the committee response back to the Board by March 1st with their recommendations.

The Board reviewed and discussed the departmental expenditure report.

Chuck Wyman appeared before the Board to inquire if any decisions have been made in regards to help with the cleanup of Konkapot River by his property on Hartsville New Marlborough Road? The Board advised that it is in the hands of the Highway Superintendent and that he will be in contact with him before October 27th.

Mr. Owen Hoberman mentioned that a new ladder sign has been erected in Southfield by the iron bridge.

Being that there was no further business to be brought before the Board a motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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